HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 180 By Armstrong

A RESOLUTION to honor Albert Murray for his exemplary contribution to public service.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the elected representatives of the State of Tennessee should duly recognize those citizens who through their hard work and diligence have proven themselves to be invaluable servants of their community, and are approaching significant milestones in their illustrious careers; and

WHEREAS, Albert Murray is assistant commissioner of the Tennessee State

Department of Children's Services; he has meritoriously served 27 years in youth and juvenile programs in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, as a result of his many faithful and exemplary years of service, Mr. Murray is highly admired and respected by his colleagues; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murray is a graduate of Tennessee State University, and earned a Master of Education degree in Guidance Counseling from Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, he has been a prominent and highly influential figure in the community for many years and has served the people of Tennessee diligently; he has always performed his duties in an exemplary manner and worked well with others; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Murray, a longtime professional in running programs for troubled kids, has been appointed as the first commissioner of juvenile justice for the state of Kansas; and

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WHEREAS. after a thorough national search, the state of Kansas is fortunate to have been able to attract a person of the caliber of Mr. Murray; and

WHEREAS, the depth and breadth of his experience will provide them a good head start in their efforts to establish a system of juvenile justice that puts safety first, and holds juveniles accountable for their actions and behavior; and

WHEREAS, the people of Tennessee are extremely privileged to have had such a kind, dedicated and loyal public servant who had their concerns as a top priority; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly pause in its deliberations to honor and commend Albert Murray for his excellent service to the state of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and thank Mr. Albert Murray for his service to the state of Tennessee and offer our best wishes in his new position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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